

Materials & Tests Training Policy

Regarding TDOT Technicians

HQ Materials & Tests is committed to providing enough training opportunities each year to accommodate the needs of our TDOT Inspectors, Material Producers, Contractors and CEI Partners in regard to required materials certifications. To reach this goal the Asphalt Level 1 (Roadway) and Concrete Level 1 certification courses will be taught twice per year in each region.

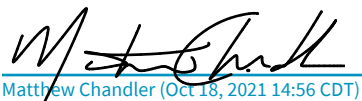
With only two opportunities a year, M&T asks that the regions prioritize students for each course so that employees requiring a certification have first opportunity to attend prior to someone who is cross training. To accomplish this, we will require that registration for these classes flow through the Regional Training Coordinators who can better prioritize each region's need.

Radiation Safety and Nuclear Gauge Technician class is available on demand online and testing can be scheduled during one of the routinely available TCAT proctoring windows.

One Asphalt Plant Technician course will be offered in Nashville during the winter. With sufficient interest a second class will be scheduled. This certification requires extensive hands-on lab work and math skills. To set up students for success, it is recommended that students intending to take this course get some hands-on experience in an asphalt lab prior to attending class.

All other materials certifications are meant for limited audiences such as the Producer or Contractor who must provide a level of quality control per specification. Priority accommodation will be given to the intended audience of the class. Outside of a very few TDOT technicians working for HQ or Regional Materials and Tests, these classes are not required in the standard TDOT technician's role. For people who fall outside the required audience of these classes, special permission is required to attend. Prior to registering, submit a written request to the Engineering Manager over the program. Upon receipt of approval from the Engineering Manager, registration may proceed. These classes are:

Class	Required	Exceptions
Aggregate Technician	Aggregate Producer QC, TDOT M&T Lab Tech	Send request to: Michael.J.Mellons@tn.gov
Asphalt 3 (Mix Design)	HMA Contractor Mix Designer, TDOT M&T Lab Tech	Send request to: Derek.Gaw@tn.gov
Concrete 2 (Plant QC)	Ready Mix Producer QC, TDOT M&T Lab Tech	Send request to: Michael.J.Mellons@tn.gov
Concrete 3 (Mix Design)	Ready Mix Producer Mix Designer, TDOT M&T Lab Tech	Send request to: Michael.J.Mellons@tn.gov



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